

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 remain present in this application.

The abstract, specification, and claims 1 and 4 have been amended. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The disclosure stands objected to for certain informalities. In the specification, reference numeral 4 refers to the worm, while reference numeral 3 refers to the active worm gear. Perhaps, in the paragraph beginning on line 6 of page 4, there is some confusion because the reference numerals appear before the referenced items. Nonetheless, when reviewing this sentence, it should be clear of this arrangement. In addition, throughout the specification, reference numeral 4 has been used throughout for the worm and reference numeral 3 has been used for the active worm gear. It is respectfully submitted that this objection to the disclosure should be reconsidered and withdrawn.

The drawings stand objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5). Reference numerals "A1, A2, B8 and B10" are no longer used in the specification. As such, the requirements of 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) should now be met. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4 stand objected to for certain informalities. The references "A" and "B" are no longer used in the claims. It is respectfully submitted that this objection should now be overcome.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges that the Examiner considers the subject matter of claims 1-4 to be allowable. Because all

objections should now be overcome, the instant application should now be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Because the prior art cited by the Examiner has been included merely to show the state of the prior art and has not been utilized to reject the claims, no further comments concerning these documents are considered necessary at this time.

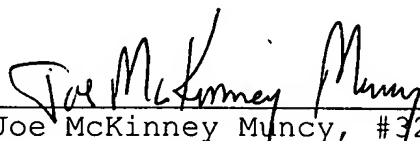
In the event that any outstanding matters remain in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), the Applicants respectfully petition for a one (1) month extension of time for filing a response in connection with the present application and the required fee of \$120.00 is attached herewith.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Abstract of the Disclosure